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**TEAMSTERS ANNUAL BANQUET**—Business representatives of all local unions belonging to the Indiana Conference of Teamsters, their wives and friends attended the annual banquet of Teamsters at the Claypool Hotel, held in conjunction with the 64th convention of the Indiana State Federation of Labor. Fred Marshall (left foreground) was chairman of entertainment. Brief talks were made by Governor Henry F. Schricker, Congressman Andy Jacobs, Secretary of State Charles F. Fleming, Mayor Al Feeney, Thomas R. Hutson, Commissioner of Labor, and Albert Evans, representing the International

## NO. 188 WINS VICTORY IN LAUNDRY CONTRACT

The CIO's attempt to chisel in on a contract between three AFL unions, including Teamsters Local 188, and 43 Indianapolis laundries and dry cleaning plants has been frustrated by refusal of the National Labor Relations Board to assume jurisdiction of the controversy.

The NLRB reported Sept. 12 to Lynnville G. Miles, counsel for the unions that the vote was three to two against authorizing elections in the plants to determine bargaining agents.

On the following day an NLRB trial examiner, Arthur Left, dismissed unfair labor charges against the three AFL unions and the 43 employers on the ground that the controversy was out of his hands by decision of the board.

Action by the NLRB means, according to Mr. Miles, that the original contract entered into last March between the three AFL unions and 27 employers will be legal and binding for its duration of seven years. Meantime the number of Indianapolis laundries and dry cleaning plants signing with the unions has grown to 43.

These plants employ 360 drivers who now are members in good standing of Bakery, Laundry, Dairy Employees and Sales Drivers Local

Union No. 188 of the Teamsters headed by C. E. Davis, president.

The contract, patterned after the St. Louis plan, provides for a commission of three members, headed by the Rev. Leo C. Brown, regent of St. Louis University Law School, to arbitrate all disputes.

Barring all strikes and lockouts, the agreement is a sure fire guarantee of peace in the industry as it affects parties to the contract and eliminates chaotic, troubled conditions under which they had previously operated.

The two unions now having jurisdictional control of the laundry and dry cleaning trade in Indianapolis, additional to the Teamsters, are the International Laundry Workers and International Association of Cleaning and Dye House Workers with a total of 3,000 or more workers employed in the 43 plants.

## Teamsters Aid Convention Of Ind. Federation

The 64th annual convention of the Indiana State Federation of Labor in Indianapolis, August 23-26 was attended by the record-breaking assemblage of 1,100 delegates and associates, according to Michael Angel, of Teamsters Local 215, Evansville, chairman of the Credentials committee.

The convention was so big, with promise of continuing thus in future years that the delegates voted to continue it in Indianapolis, where hotels are more abundant than elsewhere in the state.

Among Teamster delegates Pat Hess, of Fort Wayne (414) a vice president of the federation, was chairman of the committee on Appeals and Grievances, membership of which included William Lock of the Elkhart Teamsters.

D. E. Mahoney of Muncie was ranking member of the Rules committee, membership including Geo. B. Campbell of South Bend (364) and Frank Potesak, Gary (142).

O. B. Chambers of Kokomo was ranking member of the committee on Organization, and Lloyd Rhoads of the Evansville Taxicab Drivers, (Continued on Page 4)

## Building Trades Re-elect V. P. Geo. Campbell

George Campbell of Teamsters 364, South Bend was re-elected a vice president of the Indiana Building Trades Council when that body met in its 32nd annual convention in Indianapolis.

The convention of the builders was held just preceding the annual meeting of the Indiana State Federation of Labor.

Among delegates taking an active part was Charles Miller of Vincennes Local 417, vice president of the Indiana Conference of Teamsters, who served as a member of the committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

The convention re-elected its president, Charles Kern, former Indiana State Commissioner of Labor.

## 2 DRIVERS OF NO. 759 DIE IN FLAMING CABS

By O. B. CHAMBERS

KOKOMO—Officers and members of Teamsters Local No. 759 have been saddened within the last few weeks by deaths of three brother members, two of whom were killed in tragic accidents.

The two accident victims

were Brothers Jack Harding, 24, of 207 South Seventh street, Logansport and Howard A. Persley, 36, of 92 East Hill street, Wabash.

The third member to die was Brother Roy Ellers, better known as "Pop" among the drivers for Ross Transit, where he had worked for several years. Brother Ellers died of a heart attack.

Brother Harding, a war veteran, was a driver for the Miller Transportation Co. of Kokomo. He was driving a semi-trailer, heavily loaded with steel castings from Lafayette to Detroit and had reached Lagro on U. S. Highway 24, near Wabash.

Witnesses, according to a dispatch in the Kokomo Tribune, said his semi-trailer, was forced onto the berm of the road by a car which was attempting to squeeze in ahead of his truck near the top of a hill.

The truck reportedly crashed dead center into the end of a cable guard rail, and the weight of the load caused it to plunge through and down the 50-foot embankment. A gasoline tank burst showering the cab with flaming fuel.

Harding was trapped in the cab, but was still conscious and calling for help when passing motorists reached the scene. Their attempts to rescue the young driver were thwarted by

heat and it was believed that he died almost immediately.

Coroner L. W. Yoder of Wabash county, said the driver of the car who caused the wreck by attempting to pass on a blind hill, sped from the scene with no effort to aid his victim.

Brother Harding is survived by his parents, his bride of a few months, the former Evelyn Mohler of Walton, Ind., and three sisters. Burial in Crown Point cemetery here was conducted by the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Death of Brother Persley

Brother Howard A. Persley's accident occurred also in Wabash county and just one day after the Harding tragedy.

Persley, employed by the Brown Trucking Co., of Wabash, was driving a semi-trailer loaded with rock wool to Cincinnati. He was enroute east along Treaty pike and in the heavy fog (Continued on Page 3)

## T. H. Teamsters In Labor Parade

TERRE HAUTE — With Jack Reynolds, business representative of Teamsters Local 144, leading the first of four divisions, the Terre Haute Teamsters and other AFL unions marched Labor Day in one of the most colorful processions ever seen here.

The annual parade was sponsored by the Vigo County Central Labor Union and enlivened by four bands of AFL musicians.

## News Notes From Local 193

Passmore and his Wild Irish Rose finally bought a new home and both are very proud of it. (See article about them in this issue.)

Rodney Baker was telling us something I couldn't believe but we forgot what it was so ask him for the case. Ha! Ha!

Seems as if one of Hogan's drivers has a set up with a United driver to get his van polished.

There are still some contracts not yet settled in 193 so keep watching your bulletin board for notices.

Burial services for ex-Mayflower driver T./Sgt. Jacob M. Kesler, 34 years old, native of Indianapolis who was killed August 31, 1943, in New Guinea, were held at the Jefferson Barracks Cemetery at St. Louis, September 8, 1949. "Shorty," as all us old Mayflower boys knew him, was a rear gunner in one of those big planes.

Would like to hear from any of you men in Local 193 who have any news to put in the paper. Call or write the office.



# GOVERNOR SCHRICKER AMONG THE HONORED GUESTS AT---



## Swede, of Mayflower, Finds All IS Gold That Glitters

By SWEDE CARLBOM

Late last fall I loaded a shipper's household goods in Philadelphia destined for San Francisco. Among the furniture freight was a large aquarium bowl containing a mess of rare, tropical gold fish.

The shipper worried how to bring them to California alive, so I offered to take the fish in my cab. A waxpaper, with holes punched in it for air, was tied over the opening and the bowl was placed on my cab floor.

Driving through Wyoming I encountered a terrific blizzard that was biting cold. Fearing the water would freeze in the bowl, I added a pint of anti-freeze to the water supply.

Next morning I discovered—to my dismay—that the anti-freeze had chemically stripped the gold off the goldfish. They were now just plain fish!

Frantic for fear the shipper would file a claim against my company, I went to a paint store where I bought some bronze-gilt and a small brush. Painstakingly I gilded every fish in the bowl and then was pleased to see that they looked exactly as before the strip act.

When I changed the water I found a small heap of gold flakes in the bottom of the bowl. I panned the gold flakes and took them to a jeweler who gave me \$4.80 for my poke.

It more than paid me for my labor, bronze-gilt, brush and anti-freeze.

So long, girls.

## Passmore Served Thirty Months For Rachel, Now Back on Truck

The Bulletin of the 1st Armored Division goes in for a personality sketch of a member, who had a romance during 30 months of combat—with Axis fighters, that is, not the girl, and now is happily married and driving a Mayflower truck. The article:

### JOHNNY DOUGHBOY FOUND A ROSE IN IRELAND

Arlus Lee Passmore met a pretty Irish colleen, Rachel Elizabeth Hutchinson of Dunmurry, when he was stationed in Ireland with Old Ironsides. When he sailed away for Africa and Italy he left his heart behind in Dunmurry. After 30 months of combat and as many more of correspondence, Rachel finally came to America and they are now married and living happily.

Arlus was a member of the Service Company of the 6th Armored Infantry. He lives at 4018 East Michigan St., Indianapolis. He drives a truck for the Mayflower Transit Co. and covers the entire United States in his rounds. He probably sees as many of his former buddies as anybody who served in the division.

Look for Arlus whenever you see a Mayflower van. Look for the number 819 on the truck door. Or the number 820 on the trailer. Or the 1st Armored Division windshield sticker that he carries. That will be Arlus.

### UNION SECRETARY

- If a Secretary writes a letter, it's too long.
- If he sends a postal, it's too short.
- If he doesn't send a notice, he is lazy.
- If he attends a committee meeting, he is butting in.
- If he stays away he is a shirker.
- If he duns the members for dues, he is insulting.
- If he fails to collect the dues he is slipping.
- If he asks for advice he is incompetent.
- If he does not, he is a bull-head.
- If he writes his reports complete they are too long.
- If he condenses them, they are incomplete.
- If he talks on a subject, he is trying to run things.
- If he remains quiet, he has lost interest in the meetings.

Ashes to ashes,  
Dust to dust,  
If others won't do it,  
The Secretary must!

### MAD MOTORIST

By JAMES J. METCALFE  
(In Indianapolis Star)

The highways now are crowded with...A million cars or more... And many are the motorists... Who get real good and sore... They blame the other fellow for... The slowness of their stride... While they would like to speed and push... All other cars aside... The restless driver is the one... Who has but little sense... And whose indifferent carelessness... Accounts for accidents... He does not heed the warning signs... That mark a hill or curve... And if there is no room to pass... He will not budge or swerve... But if the vehicles collide... He knows that he is right... And with his temper uncontrolled... He wants to start a fight.

### Truck Industry Growing Despite All Opposition

BILOXI, Miss.—Henry E. English, first vice president of the American Trucking Association, Inc., warned here that the trucking industry is facing one of the most serious competitive fights of its career.

He pointed out that few other industries, if any, have been so vigorously opposed as has the trucking industry throughout its history of less than 50 years. He added, however, that the industry has made tremendous progress, nevertheless, because it is providing a transportation service that is superior in many respects to any other service ever available to the nation's shippers.

"In spite of opposition, both open and secret, in spite of severe restrictions, unsound laws, heavy taxes and any number of other difficulties that beset the truck operator from the beginning, the use of truck transportation has expanded steadily until today it is the most important single agency of transportation," Mr. English said, adding:

"We are hauling more tons of freight, than the railroads—more than any other type of transportation."

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## Another Miller Transportation Man Is Driver of the Month

Another Miller Transportation Teamster has been selected by the Indiana Motor Truck Association as Driver of the Month. This time it is Gerald Davis of Kokomo, who lives at 1505 South Home avenue there, and is of good standing in Teamsters Local 759.

Last month it was Harry A. Smith of Anderson, attached to Pat Mahoney's local (No. 369) as pictured in the August INDIANA TEAMSTER, for wrecking his Miller Transportation truck to save the lives of four people.

Both the Miller drivers and others who have won the monthly distinction in the last year were to be given awards by Gov. Schricker at the IMTA's annual convention banquet in the Claypool Hotel, Indianapolis, September 17.

Of Davis' selection THE FIFTH WHEEL, official IMTA publication says:

Gerald Davis of Miller Transportation, Inc., Kokomo, was selected Indiana Driver of the Month for July for the rescue of a seven-year-old girl from a blazing car which had overturned.

The incident occurred on June 13, at 7:30 p. m. as Driver Davis was proceeding south on State Road 5 about five miles south of Warren, Ohio. It was raining and the pavement was slippery. Mrs. Anna McClosky, in a 1935 tudor, had lost control of the car and turned over. She was thrown clear, but the car caught fire.

Mr. Davis stopped to help and heard a child's voice. He approached the blazing wreckage and found the woman's little girl caught beneath some furniture in the back seat of the overturned vehicle. Mounting the flaming wreckage, he managed to get the child clear. She received only a slight burn on the ear and the truck driver only singed the hair on his arms, but the car was a total loss.

Selection of Mr. Davis as Driver of the Month made his company the first to achieve the distinction for two successive months and brought to six the number of drivers to be honored at this year's IMTA Convention for having rated the title since last convention.

## Thirty Aero Mayflower Drivers Receive No-Accident Citations

American Trucking Associations awards of merit for safe driving have been awarded as of September 7 to 30 drivers for Aero Mayflower Transit Co., including Dempsey Goodnight, who in 11 years has piled up a total of 570,924 miles with no chargeable accident.

Second on the list is Clayton Sparks, who has driven 738,927 miles in eight accident-free years.

Other drivers and their records, according to R. J. Magnus, company director of safety, are as follows:

Name of Driver	Number of Years	Mileage
Harold E. Cauble	1	83,483
Lyman L. Trisler	2	110,279
Fredrick M. Bond	1	109,138
Norman Wm. Everett	2	110,750
John L. Richards	2	117,628
Elmer Hall	3	219,356
Warren C. Overley	1	98,494
Leo McElfresh	1	69,148
Dave H. Farmer	2	157,257
Francis Snediker	1	70,213
Carl J. Warren	4	204,437
Otis Rifenberg	1	178,343
Claude A. Trinkle	3	238,362
Robert Vail	6	336,665
Robert E. Alvey	2	121,500
Carl A. Ahrendt	4	324,839
Austin L. Luthe	1	58,691
Willard M. Loh	2	102,865
Albert J. Hoover	2	97,469
Orville E. Douglas	2	105,907
Alvin F. Robinson	1	99,131
Rodney T. Baker	5	250,000
Eugene A. Blunk	2	357,203
Preston J. Wells	1	107,052
Louis E. Wonderlick	1	60,987
Clifford C. Dennis	3	172,465
Anthony Grabner	3	168,832
John C. Price	2	139,262



# ANNUAL BANQUET OF INDIANA CONFERENCE OF TEAMSTERS



Shown at the speakers' table at Teamsters annual banquet (Left to Right page 2) E. C. Wilkes, Michigan City, Conference Trustee; Charles F. Fleming, Mrs. Fleming, Mayor Al Feeney, Congressman Andy Jacobs, Mrs. Jacobs and Governor Schricker.

Above (Left to Right) Charles Miller, Vincennes, Conference Vice-President and chairman of the banquet; D. E. Mahoney, Muncie, Conference Trustee; Commissioner Thomas R. Hutson, Mrs. Hutson, Pat Hess, Fort Wayne; Albert Evans, representing the International Brotherhood of Teamsters; E. J. Williams, Local 135, Indianapolis, and Mrs. Williams.

Right (Left to Right) Clyde Birdsong, Evansville, Conference Secretary-Treasurer; Mrs. Birdsong, Mrs. Helton and S. W. Helton, Lafayette, Conference Trustee.

O. B. Chambers, Conference Recording Secretary, was absent when photo was taken.

## Two Drivers of Teamsters 759 Are Killed In Tragic Accidents

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misjudged the distance as he approached the intersection with State Road 15 at Twin Bridges, turning to the south at the edge of the hedge rows. His truck went over the embankment and a concrete abutment of the structure, striking the bridge just below the road level, and coming to rest in the bed of Treaty creek.

The impact mashed the driver's side of the cab against the bridge wall and the trailer jack-knifed against the other side of the cab. Other motorists had Brother Persley almost out of the cab when it burst into flames.

He is survived by his mother, the widow, three children, a sister and brother, all of Wabash.

Brother Persley was an Elk; had been employed by the Brown Trucking Co. since 1944 and at one time had studied for the ministry.

### Now for Some Less Tragic Notes from 759

We are still in the process of negotiating a new contract with General Tire at Wabash and Shell American Petroleum, Kokomo, for

transport drivers and city men, warehousemen and mechanics.

At this writing a strike vote has been taken by the beer drivers of Kokomo, carried by a large majority, as the distributors refuse to negotiate with us.

The contract covering our people at National Cylinder Gas Co. in Logansport has been completed.

Also completed is the contract, giving an increase to shippers, loaders and mechanics at Omar Baking Co.

We are still asking all Teamsters and other union members not to buy Dietzen's bread, as it is non-union. Buy Colonial, Ward and Omar, for they are 100 per cent Union Made and Delivered.

We also request all members to ask their milk men for their Union Books, as Meadow Bloom and Crescent are non-union operating dairies.

The jurisdictional dispute regarding the Cuneo Press warehousemen has been referred to the International Office as a matter between Teamsters Local Union and the Pressmen's Local Union. The Pressmen claim jurisdiction over the warehousemen handling paper loading and unloading.

An agreement has been reached between Local Union No. 759 and the Great Lakes Distributing Co. at Logansport.

Next meeting of Local Union No. 759 will be held Saturday, October 1, at 8:00 p. m., in the Labor Temple, Kokomo. All members are urged to attend.

## TRUE, EVEN IF NOT NEW

We heard about a man the other day who was taken with a sudden desire to march in a parade.

He saw a parade of Masons going north of the Circle in Indianapolis and joined the line, only to be told that he wasn't wanted in a pageant to which he didn't belong.

So he got in with some Elks, marching up the street, but again was asked to fall out of the exclusive group.

Next he joined a parade of the American Legion and was kicked out.

"Well, I'm a son of a b—," he told the traffic cop. "I can't parade with the Masons, the Elks or the American Legion —!"

"If you really are that, and can prove it," said the cop, "you can march with the Chamber of Commerce."

## ATA Announces Safety Contest

WASHINGTON—The American Trucking Associations' 1949-1950 National Truck Safety Contest has opened to run through July 31, 1950.

The contest is open to all motor carriers. The divisions of competition, based on types of carriers, are broken down into classes and mileage groups so that comparable types and sizes of carriers will be competing against each other.

The divisions are: local, long distance, and combined local and long distance. The operations are divided into the following classes: general commodities, bulk liquids in tanks, (hazardous and non-hazardous) household goods, oil field haulers, heavy haulers, automobile transporters, dairy products (retail) and a miscellaneous category.

Each company entering the contest will submit a brief accident summary report each month and an annual report at the close of the contest. The board of judges will determine the winning companies on a point system which allows a maximum of 25 points for the adequacy of the safety program conducted by each contestant and 75 points for accident experience during the year.

## Capital Taxicabs Are Overcharging

Leo F. Martin, city weights and measures inspector, recently recommended changes in the taxi fare system after he said his inspectors found widespread cases of overcharging.

He said the system under which clocks on taxi meters charge for "waiting time" is unfair to the riders.

He urged that the regulations be changed to permit waiting time to be charged only when the cab is stopped at the request of the passenger.

Under the present system, he said the clocks add 10 cents for each three minutes during which the cab is stopped or traveling less than 12 miles an hour. Actually, he added, the clocks in many cases charge at a much faster rate.

Martin said taxi company spokesmen defended the clocking system on the grounds that it compensated for loss of revenue due to traffic congestion and delay during rainy weather.

The Board of Public Safety referred Martin's recommendation to the City Legal Department.

**BUY BONDS!**



## Up to Date with Local No. 188

Local No. 188 has recently signed a new contract with five major cake companies, namely Dolly Madison, Hostess, Ward, Perfection and Grennan, for five years, wages and hours to be opened yearly.

A contract was signed for all garage mechanics at the major bread companies, except Continental, which is organized in the CIO. The contract gave these mechanics a 10-cent-an-hour increase.

Contracts for Sunshine Biscuit Co. and Kraft Cheese Co. are being negotiated.

Kroger Dairy and Polk Milk contracts are open for negotiation.

C. E. Davis, president, has been in negotiations with Kessler Bakery at Greensburg, and Grocers Bakery at Bedford. So far these negotiations are deadlocked. (It looks like brick pressing, boys!)

Tall fish stories were told by C. E. Davis, upon his return from a two-weeks' fishing vacation in northern Michigan. He really did catch some fish, though. Mrs. Davis verifies this.

Brother Dick Kinnaman has just returned from his vacation, part of which he spent visiting his mother in Washington, Ind.

It's a baby boy at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Plahitko. Another future member for Local No. 188. Jim, the proud daddy, is employed at National Biscuit Co.

Frankie Drake, son of Chas. Drake, a Demaree Cleaner sales driver, was recently confined to St. Vincent's Hospital. We hope you are up and at 'em again, Frankie!

Roy Bradshaw, one of our members employed at Swiss Cleaners, is recuperating from an operation. A speedy recovery to you, Brother Bradshaw!

Mrs. Sylvester Nelson underwent an operation at Methodist Hospital recently. Brother Nelson is employed at Purity Bakery. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Norman Pearce, a West Baking Co. employe, is convalescing at Veterans' Hospital. We hope you will be back on the job soon, Brother Pearce!

Little Karen Robbins, daughter of Brother Wm. Robbins, an Omar employe, is recuperating from an appendectomy operation. We hope you are back playing as heartily as usual, Karen!

Lewis Johnson, a Colonial Baking Co. mechanic, is seriously ill at Veterans' Hospital, with a gall bladder ailment. We hope to find him back on the job soon, fully recovered.

Brother Ed Lewis, steward at Home Made Pie Co., dropped in at our office recently, his first day back to work after a siege of illness. We were very glad to see him.

Little Dave Walker, son of Robert Walker, an Omar sales driver, has been stricken with polio. At this writing he is somewhat improved. We extend our sincere sympathy!

Another case of polio, which came to our attention is that of Mary Chance, small daughter of Al Chance, a loader at Purity. To her we also extend our wish for a complete recovery.

The Union stands ready in any way possible to help combat this dread disease.



**HOWARD CO. LUMBER UNFAIR!**

Stockholders of the Howard County Lumber Co. in Kokomo voted themselves a bonus last March by reducing pay of their workers 15 per cent.

But they didn't reduce by a single knot hole the price of No. 1 building boards the company offers to builders around Kokomo.

Therefore, Teamsters Union No. 759 has refused to accept the cut for its members normally employed by the company, and is picketing the company's entrance on South Washington street, Kokomo, as shown.

O. B. Chambers, union secretary-treasurer, says the executive board of Local 759 has voted to keep this picket line on indefinitely.

**Heard and Seen at 716**

By HARRY HUDSON

**MEETING NIGHTS**

General Meeting-----Last Friday of Each Month  
Individual Owners-----First Wednesday of Each Month

The following firms have been notified that Local Union No. 716 wishes to reopen the agreements now in effect:

Ready Mixed Concrete Corp.  
Heston Concrete Co.  
Carlsen Concrete Supply Co.

Employees of the above firms should watch their bulletin boards for notice of meetings, and arrange their affairs to attend all meetings pertaining to a new agreement.

The officers and members of Local Union No. 716 wish to express their sympathy to Brother Harry Small and family over the passing away of Mrs. Small.

Brother Arthur Dorn of the Polar Ice & Fuel Co. passed away August 10, 1949. Mrs. Arthur Dorn, beneficiary, has received his insurance, which members of this local union carry.

Contracts have been concluded in recent weeks with the following firms, giving the members employed improved conditions and wage increases:

Peerless Electric Supply Co.  
Farrell-Argast Electric Supply Co.  
Economy Electric Supply Co.  
Brannum-Keene Lumber Co.

We are still in negotiations with the following firms:

Monument Co-Op Coal Co.  
E. H. Moorman Trucking Co.  
H. Linabury Brick & Tile Co.  
Andrew Morris Trucking Co.  
General Electric Supply Co.

Companies listed directly above all had reopening dates in the contracts which will be concluded as soon as possible.

All members should turn out the nights our bowling team bowls and give the team some good moral support. They bowl at Sturm Alleys, 1422 North Illinois St. Contact the office for the nights the team is in action.

**Just How Dumb Can Non-Union Cab Driver Be?**

Indianapolis has one of the worst taxicab systems of anywhere in America because the companies hire drivers who will work cheap.

So long as the driver will accept submarginal pay and not demand union pay or union representation, which would get him \$20 a week more money, he can be unsafe at the wheel, of bad character or as dumb as this United driver who didn't even know what company he was working for.

Read about him in the Indianapolis Star of September 9.

Police last night might have captured a holdup man if a taxicab driver victim could have remembered what cab company he worked for, they said.

John Robert Robins, 41 years old, 2203 Howard street, told police he was held up and forced from his cab in the first block of South Missouri street by a gunman who fled south in the cab.

Robins, who works for United Cab Company, reported he had been robbed of \$8 and his car, Red Cab 256, stolen.

Police were ordered by radio to hunt for Red Cab 256. A few minutes later a detective squad radioed it was following United Cab 256 and asked the dispatcher if it wasn't the right cab.

Police checked back with Robins who, they reported, replied that he worked for the Red Cab Company. Detectives let the United Cab drive on. Police then checked with Red Cab dispatchers who said they had no No. 256.

Informed of this Robins remembered that he worked for United Cab Company, after all. He said the holdup man flagged him in the 300 block of West Washington street and ordered him to drive to Union Station, then pulled a gun.

Later police picked up a suspect, William Bidder, 19, Duluth, Minn. as he hitch-hiked at 10th street and Massachusetts avenue. Police said he was carrying a .32 caliber revolver similar to the one used in the holdup.

The cab was recovered at the rear of 2027 South Pennsylvania street.

**Look-See with 233**

By BIG ED and FAT ED

In the July issue of this column we made a big mistake. We referred to Clyde "Chew 'Em Hard" Cox, of Kibler Trucking Co., as "Beech-Nut." Brother Cox does not chew Beech-Nut, he chews Union Workman. Since he's bigger than us, we must write this correction. Please don't hit us, Brother Clyde "Chew 'Em Hard, Union Workman" Cox. That's right, we hope.

Brother Elmer Oliphant, steward at General Storage, Indiana Terminal, took a week's vacation to go squirrel hunting. Hunting was not so good, at least for Brother Elmer. He walked, he waited, he hid and all to no avail. The squirrels were just too far away. On the last day out Brother Elmer put half rock salt in the shells and shot two grey squirrels that weighed two ounces each. They were shot at such a distance they would have been spoiled by the time they were picked up if it hadn't been for the rock salt in the shells.

Remember! Regular Meetings first Wednesday of each month at 8 P. M., 28 West North St.

Watch your bulletin board for notices of Special Meetings. Several contracts are coming up for renewal.

Standard Division of the National Tea Co. has settled their contract with our members for another year. A nice wage increase and several fringe issues were granted.

At this writing the A&P Warehouse contract has not been settled.

Contracts now being negotiated or in the process are Red Dot Food, Inc. (where you get those Teamster made potato chips), and the public warehouses, which include Tripp Warehouse, Indiana Terminal, Indianapolis Warehouse, Strohm Warehouse and Cartage and Rolling Mills Warehouse.

There are new stewards at Swift and Co. and Strohm's. Brother Bob Weidman is steward at Swift and Co., with Brother Joe Power acting in his absence. Brother Everett B. Davis is steward at Strohm Warehouse.

Local 233 now has a ladies' bowling team, made up of some of our female members. This team bowls at Fox Bowling Alleys on Monday nights at 6 o'clock. Let's get out and root for the team.

Brother Richard Hughes, steward at Kroger's, would appreciate anyone who can donate blood for his wife. Mrs. Hughes is in the Methodist Hospital and has used eight pints of blood, which must be replaced. Any donor may go directly to the Methodist Hospital Blood Bank and give the blood for Nancy Hughes or call this Local office, Riley 8352.

**Many Teamster Delegates Attend Convention of State Federation**

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ranking member of the committee on Officers' Report.

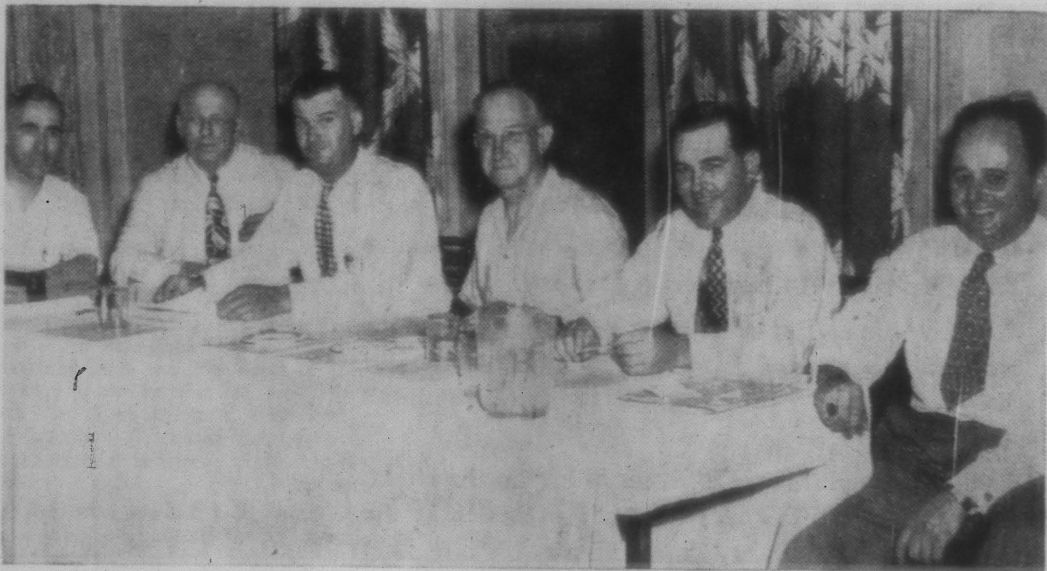
Charles Miller of Vincennes (417) vice president of the Indiana Conference of Teamsters, was on the committee on Legislation and Lee Lantz of Peru on the committee on Law.

Walter E. Biggs of South Bend and Harry D. Cole, Hammond served on the committee on Education.

Glenn Rabanus, Frankfort was a member of the Political Action

committee and also was a representative of Central Bodies, while Bert Wheat, Terre Haute was on the Resolutions committee and Henry G. Willing served on the committee on Union Labels.

Clyde Birdsong of Evansville was a member of the committee of Escort for Governor Schricker when he addressed the convention. Steven Toth, East Chicago served in a similar capacity for Congressman Madden, also a speaker.

**JUDGES OF ROADEO WRITTEN TEST**

Two winners of the recent Roadeo at the State Fairgrounds, Indianapolis, will be sent, expenses paid, to Boston, to compete in the National Safety Contest, October 20 to 22, in connection with the annual convention of the American Trucking Associations, Inc. The winners, as pictured in the August INDIANA TEAMSTER, were John Waldon and Richard (Peanuts) Strouse, both of Teamster Local 135. In becoming state champions for 1949 the drivers were required to pass a written test.

Judges of the written test held in the Claypool Hotel were (left to right): W. F. Fox, of "The Fifth Wheel"; H. E. Fairweather, district supervisor of the Interstate Commerce Commission; Ceburn Parker, Indianapolis Railways; Frank Purse, district director, I.C.C.; D. S. Harris, general chairman of the roadeo and J. E. Nicholas, the Indiana Motor Truck Association.